Kashmir and entering into an agreement between India and Pakistan are two different issues. The Government of Jammu & Kashmir have submitted and recently endorsed the recommendations of the State Autonomy Committee, which had been constituted by the State Government. The Report basically speaks of going back to pre-1953 status. The matter is under examination.

Kislay plantation case

2172. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2202 given in the Rajya Sabha on 22nd December, 1999 and state:

(a) whether all the accused persons in the case have been arrested; and

(b) what steps were taken to see that the depositors get back their investment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) No, Sir. However, four of the nine accused persons have been arrested and proceedings under sections 82/83 of Cr.[P.C. have been initiated against the remaining five accused persons.

(b) A piece of land measuring 7 canals and 14 marlas belonging to a relative of one of the accused has been attached under the order of the Court as the land in question was found to be purchased from the misappropriated amount of investors.

Sealing of borders with Pakistan and Nepal

2173. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to seal Indo-Pak and Indo-Nepal border;

(b) if so, the fund earmarked and spent thereon;

(c) what would be the estimated requirement of fund for sealing the Indo-Pak and Indo-Nepal border; and

(d) the progress made in sealing these borders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) to (d) A total of 452 Kms. and 1035 Kms. of border with Pakistan has been fenced and flood lit in Punjab and Rajasthan sectors at a cost of Rs. 141.90 crores and Rs. 396.79 crores